Name of the scheme	Date of receipt in CEA
7. Katapathar Project	1/82
8. Belka	9/85
9. Babail	9/85
10. Kosi Gas Turbines	8/84
BIHAR	
1. Sankh	1/85
2. Chandil Dam P.H.	4/85
3. Triveni Link Canal	1/86
4. Tenughat Extension	12/84
5. Patna TPS	12/85

NOTE : Lohari Nagpala has to be referred for investment approval.

Shortage of electricity in the country

1455. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state-.

(a) whether Government have examined that to meet the shortage of electric power in the country, Bagasse, a bye-product of sugar industry which is a potential source of power can be utilised;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and whether uny such experiments will be made in this behalf?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It has been estimated that the sugar industry could generate about 2000 MWe surplus power from bagasse during th* crushing season, if newer technology involving a cogeneration cycle with higher steam pressure and temperature conditions were to be adopted at the sugar mills. To encourage use of the new technology and generation of surplus power, tide Department of Non-Conventional En«rgy Sources has recently approved the setting up of a pilot plant for generation of 10 MWe in a Cooperative Sugar Mill in Tamil Nadu. This cogeneration plant with fluidised bed technology will generate about 6 MWe surplus power for connection to the grid.

Expansion work in the State Electricity Boards

1456. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to entrust expansion work in the case of some State Electricity Boards to new corporation in the joint sector for achieving higher efficiency;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE); (a) No Sfr.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Concrete proposals to entrust expansion work in the joint sector received, if any, will be considered on merits.